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Applicant: **PFEIFER, et al.** Examiner: To be assigned
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REPLY TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER
35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE
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Sir:

This is a reply in response to the Notice of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office dated October 16, 2006. The period set to reply to the Notice of Missing Requirements expires on December 16, 2006, and therefore this reply is timely filed. Accordingly, enclosed are the following:

1. Copy of Notice of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office;

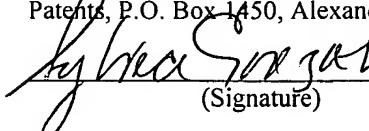
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2. A declaration and power of attorney for the above-identified application duly executed by the inventors; and
3. Check in the total amount of **\$130.00** covering the following item; the surcharge for providing the oath or declaration.

If there are any questions or comments relating to this request, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact Applicant's attorney at the telephone number set forth below.

If any additional fees are due, or an overpayment has been made, please charge, or credit, our Deposit Account No. 11-0171 for such sum.

Respectfully submitted,



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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 02/03/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 02/03/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 02/03/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 02/03/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 02/03/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 02/03/2006
- Specification filed on 02/03/2006
- Claims filed on 02/03/2006
- Abstracts filed on 02/03/2006
- Drawings filed on 02/03/2006

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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